

Join the alumni tours and see the world

The first tour sponsored by your Alumni Association visited Europe in the summer of 1961. Since then more than 1,000 graduates, former students, and friends have traveled tens of thousands of miles in both hemispheres as part of the service offered annually by your Association.

Alumni Association tours have been popular—and therefore quickly filled—for several reasons. First, the tour member travels in the best of company. Seeing the world with fellow Sooners provides a common and congenial base for sharing experiences that the tours afford. The friendships that are invariably formed on the tour are as common as cameras.

Second, the cost is less. Group plans enable one to travel first class at tourist rates. The cost includes every essential: travel (almost entirely by air, even in Europe) hotel accommodations, meals, tips, and special sightseeing tours in each city. (There is also plenty of free time—about 25 percent).

Third, as the man says, "Relax and leave the driving to us." A tour guide handles all the details, freeing the tour members from preoccupation with tickets, reservations, and schedules, and allowing them to concentrate on what they came to see. The tours are not only educational, friends, they're fun. And their popularity is demonstrated by those who re-enlist. About 30 percent of today's tour members are repeaters.

The Alumni Association's tour service has completed 15 tours, dropping in on Europe innumerable times in "Heart of Europe" and Scandinavian tours. Alumni tours have also visited the Orient (Dr. and Mrs. Cross were tour leaders on one oriental journey), stopping in Japan, Hong Kong, Thailand, and Hawaii. Last summer the first Around the World tour traveled in Portugal, Greece, Turkey, Egypt, India, Thailand, Hong Kong, Japan, Israel, and Hawaii. This winter (see *inside front cover*) a tour of the South Pacific will be offered for the first time. The tour service will continue to be made available to alumni. We hope you'll be able to come along some day. It's the best way to see the world, as you see on the next page.



AROUND-THE-WORLD TOUR IN TOKYO. DR. C. A. MERRITT, TOUR LEADER



EUROPEAN TOUR NO. TWO IN ASSISI, ITALY. BOYD GUNNING, TOUR LEADER

EUROPEAN TOUR NO. ONE IN FLORENCE, ITALY. GUY BROWN, TOUR LEADER





Photographed by R. Boyd Gunning

A few assorted sights of Tour No. 2's eventful 34 days in Europe

LEFT: London, The City of the 60s, was covered completely, from Carnaby to Buckingham. At the Tower Mrs. Grace Koehler (back to camera), Marilyn Hamilton, and Mrs. Alpha Felts pose with magnificently garbed, incredibly composed guard. CENTER: In

Paris' Monmartre an artist sketches Mrs. H. L. Crockett as her husband (right) offers advice. RIGHT: Pausing at Rome's famous Trevi Fountain are (l-r) Mrs. Rufus Hall, Dr. Hall, professor of political science at OU, Mrs. J. Claude Monnet, Oklahoma City.



For some, like the O. T. McCalls (Virginia, daughters Julie and Gayle, and O. T.) of Norman, a tour is a family outing. McCall won a trip to Europe as first prize in the Association life membership contest and graciously invited his family to join him. They are photographed in the roof-top dining room of the Royal Danieli Hotel in Venice.

The younger, swinging set lampooned their fellow travelers with a gridiron skit in Cortina. Members of the cast included (above, l-r) Marilyn Hamilton, Barbara Bonner (in blonde wig), Susan Mansur, and Martha Dowling. In a later show in Amsterdam, the group presented a "This Is Your Life, Franco Marchesi," the tour's courier.



At a Fondeau party at the Stadtkeller in Lucerne are (l-r) Eleonore Gunning, Virginia McCall, the Arthur Carners, and Mrs. Mansur. At right is Marilyn Hamilton in Volendam, a Dutch fishing village.

As the sun sinks slowly in the west, we bid farewell to the 41 members of the University of Oklahoma Alumni Association 1966 European Tour Number Two. It appears they want to get some rest.